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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION

WRIT PETITION NO. 3158 OF 2024

Chandraprakash Gorakhanath Singh ... Petitioner
Versus
State of Maharashtra and ors. Respondents

Ms. Simran Shirvoikar h/f Mr. Satish Mishra, for the petitioner.
Mr. Dipesh Siroya, AGP for the respondent-State.

**CORAM : M. S. KARNIK &
R.N. LADDHA, JJ.**

DATE : 21st APRIL, 2026

P.C. :

1. Our attention is invited by learned counsel for the petitioner to the order dated 17/02/2026 passed by this Court which reads thus:

“1) Despite granting sufficient time on earlier occasion, today also an adjournment is being sought, as the concerned officer has not given proper instructions to the learned AGP.

1.1) We therefore direct the Respondent No.2 to file his detail reply to the Petition within a period of two weeks from today.

2) Stand over to 10th March 2026.”

2. The reply has not been yet filed. We were inclined to summon the officer. However, learned AGP persuaded us to permit

him to file affidavit-in-reply within the extended period of two weeks from today. We are inclined to grant time to learned AGP to file affidavit-in-reply within the extended period of 2 weeks. We make it clear that if affidavit-in-reply is not filed within a period of 2 weeks, we will be left with no other option, but to summon the concerned officer calling for explanation or imposing cost.

3. List the matter 05/05/2026.

(R.N. LADDHA, J.)

(M. S. KARNIK, J.)